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UAR Marauders Attack Israel Unit Near Gaza

TEL AVIV. — An Israeli Army patrol was attacked by infiltrators approximately 2 km. south of Kerem Avshalom (facing the Gaza Strip) on Wednesday morning, the Army spokesman announced here.

The attackers opened rifle and machinegun fire from an estimated range of 400 metres.

The patrol returned the fire and set out in pursuit. When the patrol commander realized that he had crossed the border during the pursuit, he broke off contact and ordered the patrol to return to Israeli territory. En route, the patrol encountered a U.N. Emergency Force patrol which escorted them to the border.

The infiltrators resumed their sniping across the border but the Israeli patrol did not return the fire. The patrol did not suffer any casualties.

A report from Reuters in Gaza said that the U.N.E.F. there had announced that four Israeli soldiers had entered U.A.R. territory and fired on a Beduin encampment south of Rafah, killing a woman and a child.



FISHING BOAT RETURNED TO LEBANON

The Lebanese fishing vessel which was detained in Israeli waters off the coast of Western Galilee about a month ago, when her crew of four was engaged in fishing there, was returned on Wednesday to the Lebanese authorities of Beirut.

The crew has been detained pending trial for illegal entry and fishing.

Photo above shows the boat, flying the Lebanese flag, on its way to meet Lebanese customs officials off Rosh Hanikra.

Soviets Charge Israel 'Groomed for Trouble'

UNITED NATIONS (INA). — The Soviet Union predicts that "further highly dramatic situations" will develop in the Middle East in 1959, and alleges that the West is "grooming Israel for a place in the foreground" of the new troubles in the region.

The accusations, deemed here by observers as standard Soviet propaganda, were in the Middle East in general and Israel in particular, were made in "New Times", the official weekly published in Moscow in nine languages. Copies of the journal, containing an article entitled "Middle East: Imperialist Comeback Plans", were distributed here by the Soviet delegation to the U.N. on Tuesday.

"New Times" summarizes the Soviet view of last year's developments in the Middle East. It declares that the Middle East policy developed by Secretary of State Dulles "has tumbled in ruins" about his head.

Then the publication continues: "Once again Israel is being pushed into the forefront. Britain, the U.S. have resumed arms deliveries to her, and France have substantially increased their amount. The Tel Aviv rulers have taken and intensified the war of nerves against the Arab nations, as evidenced by the numerous frontier incidents staged by Israel troops this month."

B-G, Goldmann Confer on Aliya

Dr. Nahum Goldmann, President of the World Zionist Organization, is in Tel Aviv on Wednesday with Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion, outlining the emergency fund measures now being taken in the U.S. to help in the absorption of immigration to Israel.

Dr. Goldmann also reported on preparations for the forthcoming conference of the World Jewish Congress.

Among the subjects discussed at the meeting was the question of establishing an advisory council to the Jewish Agency Executive in New York composed of non-Zionists.

Mr. Ben-Gurion and Dr. Goldmann are scheduled to hold a second meeting in Tel Aviv on Saturday, at which will be present the Minister of Education and Culture, Mr. Zalman Aranne, and the Secretary-General of Mafal, Dr. Giora Josephthal.

Dr. Goldmann met separately in Jerusalem with Mr. Aranne, and with the Minister of Justice, Mr. P. Resen, and Dr. Josephthal.

Today (Thursday), he is scheduled to meet in Jerusalem with Foreign Minister Golda Meir to discuss his recent talks with Chancellor Adenauer in Bonn and with American statesmen in Washington. He will also report on preparations for the emergency fund-raising conference for immigration, to be held in New York on February 15 by U.S. Jewish organizations where Mrs. Meir will be the main speaker. (Agency Executive - P. 3, Col. 5)

Death for 3 More Iraqi Ex-Leaders

BAGHDAD. — Men and women packing the People's Court here on Wednesday cheered and clapped as three more leaders of the former regime were sentenced to be hanged. They were Said Qasbi, former Minister of Interior, Abdul Jabbar Fahmi, former Governor of Baghdad, and Bahjat Attiah, former Director-General of Security.

The audience boomed as the three men, described by the court as "orphans of imperialism," were led away in handcuffs.

Qasbi, who was Minister of Interior for four years until the revolution last July, was found guilty of causing deaths during street demonstrations and strikes in Baghdad Central Jail. Attiah was found guilty of killings caused by "barbaric, shameless torture."

In Cairo, the newspaper "Al Akhbar" claimed in a front-page story that there was a crisis in the Iraqi Revolution. It added that the disgraced former Deputy Premier, Col. Aref, who since has been sentenced by a tribunal for treason, had been asked to return from Europe by Premier Kassem, who promptly arrested him when he came back.

The paper also said that the Egyptian MIG jet fighters which had been sent to Iraq some time ago, had left for Syria.

Greek, Turkish Top-Level Talks On Cyprus Issue

ATHENS (Reuters). — An official statement on a forthcoming meeting on Cyprus between the Greek and Turkish Prime Ministers is expected at any time in Athens and Ankara on Wednesday, learned here on Wednesday night.

Greek sources are maintaining a strict blackout on Greek-Turkish talks over Cyprus, which have been reactivated since last week-end.

A Greek Government spokesman said he was in a position to confirm or deny reports from Ankara that a meeting between Premier Karamanlis and Adnan Menderes would take place later this week.

Reliable Turkish sources in Ankara said that the two Prime Ministers will meet at Zurich tomorrow.

French Areas Now Self-Governing

PARIS (Reuters). — Former French territories which formed part of the new French Community on Wednesday became internally self-governing states following decisions taken at the inaugural meeting of the Community's Executive Council.

A final communiqué said that the running of local affairs over those of the Community's competence as a whole, will immediately be transferred to the member states.

65 Die in U.S. Plane Crash

NEW YORK. — Sixty-five persons were killed, or were missing and presumed dead, out of 73 persons aboard an American Airlines Electra turbo-prop plane which crashed on Wednesday into the East River close to LaGuardia Airport.

Eight survivors were picked up. Bodies were being fished out of the key waters and a search is continuing for others.

The plane was only in operation for two weeks, and was put into the new turbo-prop service on the New York-Chicago run. At that time the company announced the Electra was one of the most thoroughly tested airplanes ever to enter commercial service.

On this flight the plane carried 60 passengers and five crew members.

The Federal Aviation Agency said the plane crashed because it missed its approach to LaGuardia field, apparently in no difficulty when it radioed the airport control tower that it was coming in to land. There was a radio contact after the crash.

The Electra, which was a 1957 model, was flying from New York to Chicago, and was on its second approach to the airport.

(UPI, Reuters)

Iran Vows Loyalty To Baghdad Pact

TEHRAN (Reuters). — The British Ambassador, Sir Geoffrey Harrison, and other envoys of Baghdad Pact countries in Tehran on Wednesday called on Foreign Minister Ali Asghar Hekmat, who had just made a fresh pledge of loyalty to the pact.

Mr. Hekmat told the envoys earlier in the day that his country would remain a loyal member of the pact, which is purely defensive and has no aggressive designs. Despite minor differences all members were solidly behind the alliance.

He did not refer to talks between the Persian Government and a Soviet mission visiting Tehran.

Observers here believe the Soviet mission has been trying to get Persia out of the Western alliance by offering more technical assistance and a 50-year non-aggression pact.

The observers believe Hekmat's pledge means the Russian mission has failed. Its effort is understood to have been to get Persia to join the Baghdad Pact, in which the U.S. demands it become a full member.

'Useless Agitation' of Herut For Pact Hit by 'Le Monde'

By MAURICE CAIR, Jerusalem Post Correspondent

PARIS. — Under the heading, "Useless Agitation," the newspaper "Le Monde" in a front-page editorial on Wednesday severely took to task Herut leaders who have lately visited France.

The editorial, which was signed by the disgraced former Deputy Premier, Col. Aref, who since has been sentenced by a tribunal for treason, had been asked to return from Europe by Premier Kassem, who promptly arrested him when he came back.

The paper also said that the Egyptian MIG jet fighters which had been sent to Iraq some time ago, had left for Syria.

"With tenacity and optimism which are inspired by self-persuasive methods rather than by an objective analysis of political conditions," writes the influential "Le Monde" whose views are reflected in French official quarters, "a number of visiting Israeli politicians have set themselves up in Paris and in the provinces as apostles of a formal alliance between France and Israel."

"Relations between the two countries have been constantly good, and that even before the creation of Jewish state. During the last war a brotherhood of arms united Hebrew soldiers and the Free French fighters. Subsequently, France unflinchingly expressed her sympathy and granted aid to the young state, endeavouring in particular to soothe the hatreds which its creation provoked in the midst of a hostile Near East."

"Finally in the past two years Franco-Israeli relations assumed new far-reaching dimensions in the light of the creation of Jewish state. These relations took concrete shape in collaboration which started on the battlefield but was then extended into economic and cultural spheres. Why then resort to 'necromancy' why try to limit — by treaty

Macmillan Visit to USSR Seen Likely as Talks with Dulles Open

Soviet Weapons Chief Certain Of Keeping Rocket Lead

MOSCOW (UPI). — Munitions Minister Dmitri Ustinov on Wednesday promised the 21st Communist Party Congress that development of Russian rocket technology will continue at a "still greater pace" during the next seven years.

Ustinov, speaking of the importance of the development of rocket technology said, "Thanks to its serial production of various types of I.C.B.M.'s, the Soviet Union, the Soviet armed forces have at their disposal a powerful weapon and in the event of aggression can give due rebuttal to aggressors and adventurers."

He said Russia's successful development of rocket technology is "brilliant proof" of the advantages of Socialism over capitalism and "proof of the superiority of Soviet engineering."

Earlier, a second deposed Russian leader confessed his part in the "anti-party plot" and revealed he is trying to work as a factory executive.

Mr. Maxim Saburov, a member of the party presidium until mid-1957, followed Mr. Mikhail Pervukhin before the Communist Party Congress for opposing some of the programmes of the party chief, Mr. Khrushchev.

Mr. Saburov, before that one of Russia's chief planners, said that in June, 1957, he "committed a mistake in having displayed political instability."

He said he "criticized the work of the presidium of the Communist party from the positions of this (anti-party) group" before the Central Committee in the 1957 showdown.

Mr. Saburov said, he is endeavouring to "make amends for my guilt vis-à-vis the party and the people" by working as a factory director in Syzran, a city along the Volga in south-west Russia.

U.S. Has 'No New Proposals'

LONDON. — The U.S. Secretary of State, Mr. Dulles, opened talks at the Foreign Office Wednesday evening amid confident reports that Prime Minister Harold Macmillan and Foreign Secretary Selwyn Lloyd will visit Moscow before the end of the month.

Mr. Macmillan is expected to announce his plans to Parliament on Thursday (today).

Mr. Dulles conferred with Mr. Lloyd in a preliminary session several hours after his arrival from the U.S. The Secretary of State was to meet Mr. Macmillan later in the night.

Mr. Dulles' sudden decision to fly to Europe was seen here as a move to ensure continuity in any talks which Mr. Macmillan may hold in Moscow and those held recently in Washington with the Soviet Deputy Premier, Mr. Mikoyan.

Some Soviet Pressure

On his arrival in London, Mr. Dulles told reporters that he had not brought any new proposal for a solution of the Berlin problem. He said his visit to Europe was prompted by the conviction that the West would be compelled to make important decisions in the coming weeks in the face of growing Soviet pressure.

Main policy issues to be clarified in the Anglo-American talks here are the timing of any conference with Russia which the Western powers may propose, and the possibility of a flexible line on disarmament in Europe.

Mr. Dulles said that the Western alliance before possible talks with the Russians this spring.

February 21 Seen As Date for Trip

LONDON (Reuters). — Usually well-informed circles in London mentioned February 21 as a probable starting date for Mr. Macmillan's visit to Moscow, where he would examine at first hand the chances of reducing East-West tension.

Apart from any internal advantage to his Conservative Party before this year's election, such a visit was regarded as being of value to the Western alliance before possible talks with the Russians this spring.

Soviets Release 4 U.S. Lorries

HELMSTEDT, West Germany. — The Soviet authorities on Wednesday released the four American lorries which they had been holding at the Marienborn checkpoint since Monday.

News of the release came shortly after, in Washington, President Eisenhower announced at his press conference that the U.S. had lodged a vigorous protest with the Soviet Foreign Ministry in Moscow which described the Russian action as a violation of implicit agreement and arrangements made by the four occupying powers regarding supply movements to Western forces in West Berlin.

Mr. Eisenhower said these arrangements carried the clear understanding that each power could supply its forces in Berlin without interference or inspection by any of the other powers.

Earlier on Wednesday, however, the Russians allowed another U.S. army vehicle to pass through the checkpoint in the opposite direction, en route to Berlin 160 kms. to the east. The lorry was empty. It was the first U.S. Army vehicle to enter East Germany since the four lorries were stopped.

The convoy, carrying a load of jeeps, was refused permission to go on when the corporal in charge turned down a Russian request to mount a lorry for a close inspection of the jeeps. The Americans pointed out that none of the jeeps was concealed in any way, and insisted that they could be inspected from the ground.

In London, the Foreign Office spokesman announced that the British representative in Berlin had protested to the Soviet authorities over the temporary arrest of a British army lorry at the Marienborn checkpoint on Monday. A Soviet official, taking advantage of the fact that the driver was alone in the lorry, insisted it to inspect its cargo.

(Reuters, UPI, AFP)

Bonns Consultations

In Bonn, meanwhile, it was announced that Chancellor Adenauer had agreed to an open request to meet delegates of all parties before Mr. Dulles' arrival in the West German capital.

The meeting has been set for Friday.

An official spokesman of the Liberal Party expressed the hope that at the meeting the opposition delegates would be able to "influence the Federal Government in favour of greater flexibility."

(Reuters, AFP)

Russia Said Foiling Test Ban Talks

WASHINGTON (Reuters). — The State Department said on Tuesday that the Soviet Union was making a shambles of the Geneva nuclear talks by insisting on veto rights on the policing of a nuclear weapons test ban.

"The Soviet position throws doubt on whether they ever really intended or desired that the negotiations should reach a successful outcome," the Department added in a formal statement.

Better Meals Reduce Tension

HAIFA — Good food reduces nervous tension. A tasty meal makes the world look brighter — at least for a while. Wise men, really wise men, attach importance to what they eat.

In China, great thinkers and artists have reflected and written on cooking and the pleasures of the table. Confucius' good humour is reported to have waned when poorly cooked food was served. And where is the modern husband whose mood does not improve when his wife serves him a good supper?

The best Chinese cooks for over three thousand years have used soy sauce to improve the taste of every meal. Three thousand years of Chinese cooking can't be wrong. Nor is it the Chinese alone who use soy sauce. Most nations do. The French for instance. "Soy sauce is as much part of a good meal as the Quartier Latin is part of Paris," a Frenchman has said.

Soy sauce is now made according to a Chinese recipe, by the Telma Works. If it's a Telma product, it is quite reliable. Fry it today in your soup, potatoes, salad, vegetables, meat, etc. Soy sauce is an interesting novelty. (Advt.)

Castro Being Mooted For President

HAVANA (Reuters). — Mr. Marcel Fernandez, National Coordinator of the revolutionary "July 26" movement, said on Wednesday that the movement should become a political party with Dr. Fidel Castro, the revolutionary war hero, as its presidential candidate.

He said the programme of revolution for time for development and that none would be better suited than Dr. Castro to carry it out.

Mr. Oscar Gana, former Premier and Gana, former Washington, said the people wanted the elections speeded up so they would have Dr. Castro as president.

Nine more death sentences and five jail terms for alleged war criminals, have been announced here. Three persons were acquitted of the charges against them, but no executions were announced.

Tel Aviv Strike Off; City Meets Demands

TEL AVIV. — The strike set for Thursday (today) of 5,000 city employees was called off on Wednesday after the city agreed to meet all the demands of the Employees Union.

Mr. E. Schechter, Secretary of the local Labour Council, told The Jerusalem Post that the agreement was reached after two meetings with Mayor Haim Levanon. Seven meetings in all were held between the two sides during the past three days.

The city agreed to submit the question of regrading to a joint committee composed of its own representatives and Union leaders. Some 2,000 officials will benefit by the agreement, Mr. Schechter reported. In future, regrading will follow the rules set by the Ministry of the Interior for the larger cities, he said.

The threatened strike in the building industry has been postponed for a week, after a meeting on Wednesday between Mr. A. Goldstein, president of the Builders and Contractors Association, and Mr. H. Fleischer, Secretary of the Building Workers Union, The Post learns.

The threatened stoppage follows the refusal of the employers to increase their contribution to social welfare benefits by two per cent and to agree to retroactive severance pay. The Association's Executive will meet on Sunday to decide on the matter. (Strikes - Page 4)

Rift at Afro-Asian Youth Conference

A split in the political sub-committee of the Afro-Asian Youth Conference at the second day of its session in Cairo was reported on Wednesday by Cairo Radio.

The split occurred when the Japanese and South Vietnamese delegates said that the sub-committee should deal with problems deriving from the activities of "imperialism and international Communism."

However, this was opposed by other delegates who insisted that only imperialism be dealt with.

The session on Wednesday formed the Political Sub-Committee with a "Palestine section" attached to it. Five other sub-committees were chosen.

League to Oppose Aden Federation

CAIRO (AFP). — The Arab League members will cooperate to the utmost to foil the British plan for federation of the Arab areas of the West Bank Protectorate, Abdul Khalek Hassana, Secretary-General of the Arab League, declared here on Wednesday.

He said the move was an "act of British imperialism."

A report from London recovered here on Wednesday quoted "The Times" as stating that it is difficult to believe that the Aden states are interested in this federation plan and that there would be serious repercussions in south Arabia to this move.

House Body Votes Hawaii as State

WASHINGTON (UPI). — The House Interior and Insular Affairs Committee on Wednesday approved a bill to make Hawaii the 50th state in the Union. The vote was 35 to 4.

Khartoum to Exchange Envoys with Peking

KHARTOUM (Reuters). — The Sudan is to exchange ambassadors with Communist China, it was officially announced here on Wednesday night.

Earlier in the day, a Government spokesman said, "There has never been a Communist Party in the Sudan, and the Sudanese people advocating Communism worked in secrecy because their ideas are against Sudanese moral and religious beliefs and traditions."

The spokesman was commenting on a message read at the Soviet Communist Party congress in Moscow which was said to come from the "Sudanese Communist Party."

SAPIR BACK FROM EUROPEAN TOUR

Mr. Pinhas Sapir, the Minister of Commerce and Industry, left Wednesday night, returned to Israel by K.L.M. plane after nine days in England, France, Holland and Belgium. He said that his trip had been conducted with investments in Israel and with the mobilization of the Israel Industrial Corporation.

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